

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 – 92. (Cancelled)

93. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 52, A vehicle monitoring system to monitor information of a vehicle traveling to plural different predetermined destinations within a region, comprising:

a receiver in the vehicle for receiving vehicle information;
a processor in the vehicle in communication with the receiver in the vehicle;
the processor programmed to collect the vehicle information relating to a predefined parameter and used for determining an exception based on a comparison with the parameter;

wherein the predefined parameter comprises the plural different predetermined destinations for the vehicle and the exception comprises a state wherein the vehicle is outside the region encompassing the plural different predetermined destinations for the vehicle;

a wireless communication unit responsive to the processor and transmitting the collected vehicle information to a location remote from the vehicle so as to process occurrences of the exception and report the exceptions occurring for the vehicle during a predetermined time; and

wherein the region further comprises a predetermined co-location distance between the vehicle and at least one other vehicle monitored by the system, and the exception further comprises a state wherein the vehicle is within the co-location distance for more than a predetermined minimum duration.

94. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 93, wherein the exception comprises a state wherein the vehicle remains stationary for more than a defined duration while within the co-location distance at the same time as the at least one other vehicle.

95. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 94, wherein the exception is noted for all the co-located vehicles when the vehicle remains stationary for more than

the defined duration while within the co-location distance at the same time as the at least one other vehicle.

96 – 97. (Cancelled)

98. (Currently Amended) ~~The system of Claim 58, wherein: A vehicle monitoring system, comprising:~~

a receiver for receiving vehicle information;
a processor in communication with the receiver,
the processor programmed to determine the length of time the vehicle remains idle at a stationary point, to compare the length of time the vehicle remains idle to a predetermined unauthorized idle time, and if the length of time the vehicle remains idle is greater than the predetermined idle time, to note an exception; and
a wireless communication unit transmitting the vehicle information, and each exception, to a central location for monitoring; and wherein
the receiver receives vehicle information including the location of the vehicle; and
the processor is programmed to compare the vehicle location to a predetermined location and, if the processor determines that the length of time the vehicle remains idle at the predetermined location is greater than an unauthorized location-specific idle time for the predetermined location but less than the predetermined unauthorized idle stationary time, to note an exception based on the predetermined location-specific idle time at the predetermined location.